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IN THE SUMMER OF 1861, JUST AFTER THE UNION ARMY BUNGLED THE BIG OPENING BATTLE OF THE CIVIL WAR AT BAKER IN THE MARYLAND PENNSYLVANIA REGIMENT WAS CAMPED ON THE MARYLAND SIDE OF THE POTOMAC RIVER AT GREAT FALLS.

ALTHOUGH IT WAS ASSIGNED TO A PHILADELPHIA BRIGADE, ALL OF ITS MEMBERS WERE FROM CALIFORNIA.

THE 71st WAS COMMANDED BY COL. EDWARD BAKER WHO SPENT MORE TIME IN WASHINGTON AS A SENATOR FROM OREGON THAN HE DID WITH HIS TROOPS IN THE FIELD.

ONE OF BAKER'S MEN WAS A PRIVATE CLEARY, AS A CALIFORNIAN, CLEARY WAS SO BITTEN BY GOLD FEVER THAT WHEREVER HIS REGIMENT CAMPED...



HE PANNED FOR GOLD, INCLUDING IN THE STREAMS AROUND GREAT FALLS.



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The Maryland Gold Mine

PRIVATE CLEARY NEVER SAID A WORD ABOUT FINDING GOLD AT GREAT FALLS, MARYLAND IN 1861. MORE IMPORTANT, HE MANAGED TO SURVIVE THE CIVIL WAR.

HE SANK A DITCH SHAPED FROM A HOLLOW AND, FROM 1868 TO 1869, DUG OUT AS MUCH AS EVEN OUNCES OF GOLD WORTH \$20.69 AN OUNCE. A FEW YEARS LATER, HE SOLD THE MINE.

WHEN THE WAR ENDED IN 1865, CLEARY WAS DISCHARGED. HE MADE HIS WAY BACK TO MARYLAND AND PURCHASED THE FARM ON WHICH HE MADE HIS DISCOVERY.

OVER THE YEARS, VARIOUS COMPANIES OPERATED AND ENLARGED CLEARY'S MARYLAND MINE. MORE THAN 5,000 OUNCES OF GOLD WORTH OVER \$150,000 HAD COME OUT OF THIS AND OTHER SMALL MINES AROUND GREAT FALLS BY THE TIME MINING CEASED IN THE MID 1950'S.

TODAY YOU CAN FIND TRACES OF CLEARY'S MINE JUST OFF FALLS RD. AND MACARTHUR BLVD. IN THE C&O CANAL NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK. BY THE WAY...

IT'S ILLEGAL TO PAN FOR GOLD IN A NATIONAL PARK.



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The Maryland Gold Mining Company

Of Montgomery County

by Coleman Leifer

When you read about Civil-War era gold mines, you normally think of mines in the Western states, particularly California and Nevada. The Maryland Gold Mine was, however, located just twelve miles northwest of the White House, in Montgomery County, Maryland.

The gold deposit was discovered in 1861 by William Cleary, a Union soldier. Cleary was a member of the 71st Pennsylvania Regiment, a unit made up primarily of Californians. Cleary did not reveal his discovery and, in 1865, returned to the area and began to develop the mine. The Maryland Gold Mining Company and its successors were active into the beginning of the 20th century and the mine was worked sporadically until the mid-1950's. The land on which the mine was located is now part of Chesapeake and Ohio National Historic Park. A few of the buildings still remain.

The Washington Post Sunday comic section has a feature called "Flashbacks" which relates stories of historic events that occurred in the Nation's Capital. On October 10th and 17th, 1999, "Flashbacks" featured the Maryland Gold Mine.

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The mine as it appeared in 1919. The picture comes from "The Discovery of Gold at Great Falls, Maryland, 1861" by Edgar T. Ingalls.



A stock certificate for 175 shares at \$10 each issued by the Maryland Gold Mining Company in 1866. If Patrick Reynolds is correct that Cleary only mined about \$228 worth of gold by 1869, this investment could not have produced much of a return.

Collecting Documents Signed by the Elected Mayors of New York City in the Nineteenth Century

by Bill Kanowsky

Prior to 1834, the mayor of New York City was appointed by a committee. Two of the more historically important appointed mayors of New York City were DeWitt Clinton (later Governor of New York and Presidential candidate) and William Pauley (formerly a General in the War of 1812). In 1834, the first election of the mayor of New York City took place.

From 1834 to the present, the mayor of New York City has been elected by popular vote. Below is a list of the mayors of New York City up to the turn of the century:

MAYORS	YEAR(S) ELECTED
Cornelius W. Lawrence	1834, 1835, 1836
Aaron Clark	1837, 1838
Isaac L. Vose	1839, 1840
Robert H. Morris	1841, 1842, 1843
James Harper (Figure 1)	1844
William J. Havemeyer	1845, 1848, 1872
Andrew H. Mickle	1846
William V. Brady	1847
Jacob S. Woodhull (Figure 2)	1849
Ambrose C. Kingsley	1850
John A. Westervelt	1852
Fernando Wood (Figure 3)	1854, 1856, 1859
Daniel F. Tiemann	1857
George Opdyke (Figure 4)	1861
C. Godfrey Gunther	1863
John J. Hoffman	1865, 1867
A. Oakey Hall (Figure 5)	1868, 1869, 1870
William H. Wickham	1874
Smith Ely, Jr.	1876
Edward Cooper (Figure 6)	1878
William R. Grace	1880, 1884
Franklin Edson	1882
Abram S. Hewitt	1886
High J. Grant	1888, 1890
Thomas Gilroy	1892
William L. Strong	1894
Robert A. Van Wyck	1897

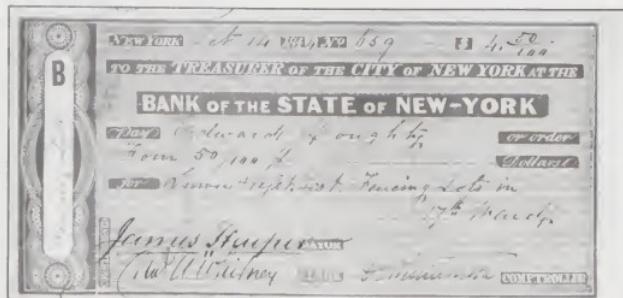
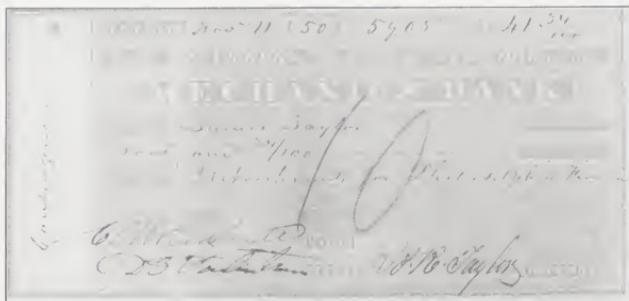


Figure 1. A check written on October 14, 1844 to Edward Doughty for the fencing of lots in the 17th ward. It was drawn on the Bank of the State of New York and signed by James Harper, fifth elected mayor of the city.

The check is printed in light red and is colorful for one of its era.

Figure 2. A check drawn on the Mechanic's Bank for "contingencies" late in 1850 and signed by Caleb. S. Woodhull who had been elected mayor the year before and was not re-elected.

The check is printed in a light blue.



It is an interesting challenge to find a check or other financial document signed by each. Many of the checks used by the state officials are attractive in their own right as well.

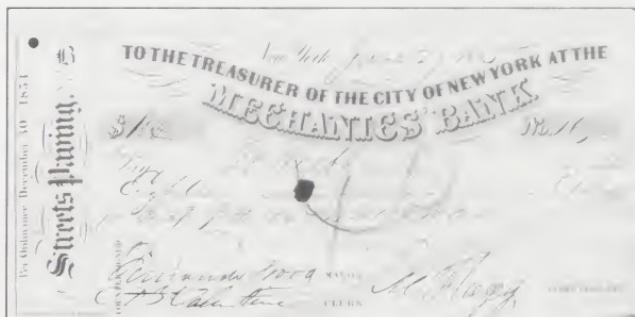


Figure 3. A colorful check for paving the streets signed in 1855 by Fernando Wood during his first term. He was re-elected the following year, was replaced in 1858 by Daniel Tiemann, then won the 1859 election for a third, non-consecutive term.

The check is printed in red on violet paper by Collins, Bowne & Co., No. 174 and 176 Pearl St.

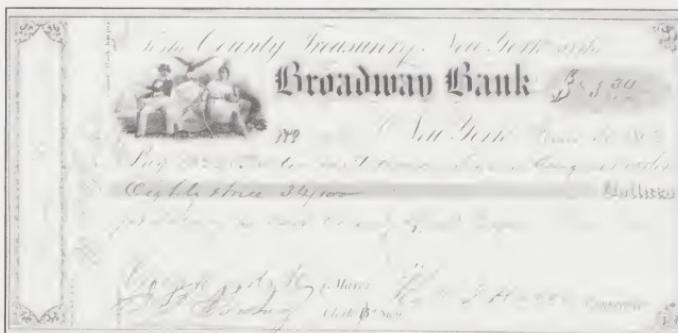


Figure 4 (on the preceding page). This check for executive salaries was signed in 1862 during George Opdyke's single term as mayor. It was printed in blue by Snyder, Black and Sturm of 92 William Street. A similar check, but designated for riot damages, was illustrated and discussed on page 23 of the October-December issue of *The Check Collector*.

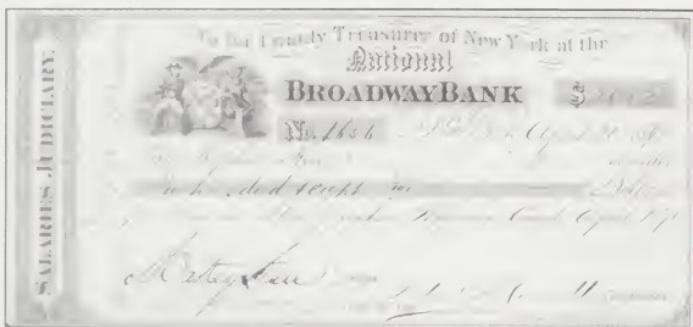


Figure 4. A. Oakley Hall was in his second of three consecutive terms as mayor when he signed this check for salaries judiciary in April of 1870. Where the city's account was in the Broadway Bank in 1862, it was now in the National Broadway Bank, presumably the same institution. And while the check looks similar and is also printed in blue, this one was a product of The New York Printing Company of Nos 81, 83 and 85 Centre Street.

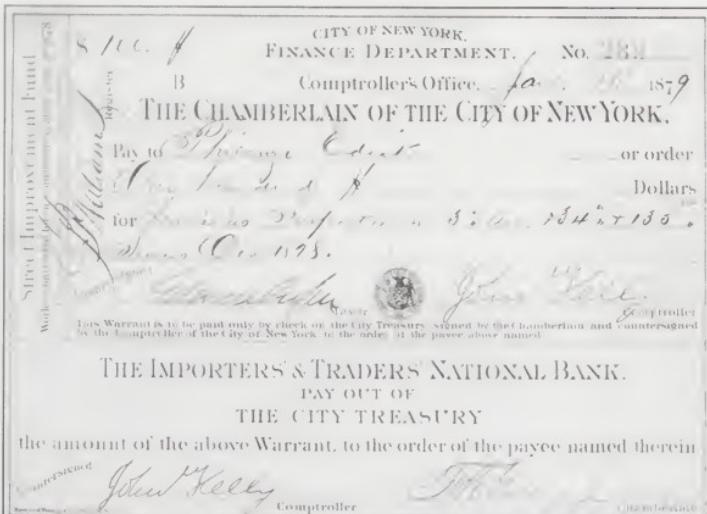
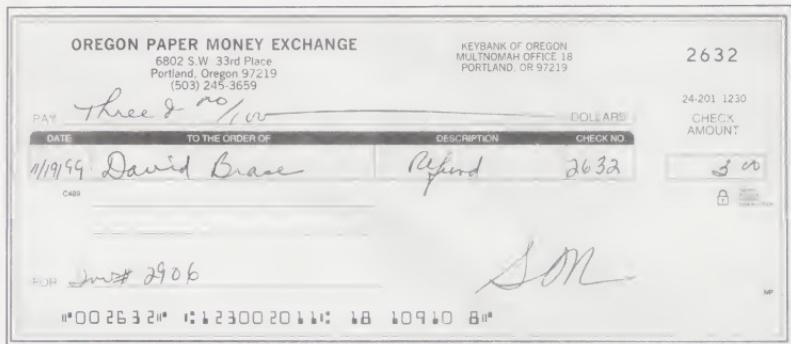


Figure 6. Finally, here is a Warrant on the Importers' and Traders' National Bank, again for street improvement. It was signed in 1879 Edward Cooper during his one term in office. The document was printed in red on a tan safety background by Maverick and Wissinger of 176 Fulton Street.

The Last Odd-dated Check of Our Lifetime

by David A. Brase



Except for my collection of \$3 obsolete notes and a few old checks made out in the amount of \$3, I am generally not a hobbyist of special numbers on financial paper. When I received a \$3 refund check from the Oregon Paper Money Exchange for one of the items I ordered that had already been sold, I was undecided about cashing it or putting it into my collection of \$3 checks, so I just threw it into a drawer and forgot about it.

Sometime later, my brother sent me a copy of a message that he had received from one of his friends via e-mail. It stated, "Today is November 19th, 1999. The numerical format for today is 11-19-1999. All of the digits are odd. The next odd day after that will be 1-1-3111. This is well over a thousand years away, which we will never see. So, now you have a reason to celebrate today as it'll be your last odd day on earth. Have a nice 'odd' day!"

Upon reading this message, my first thought was to look at my cancelled personal checks and see if I had written any checks on what was the last "odd" day of not only this millennium but also the next one. I hadn't. The last odd day on which I had written a check was 11-15-99 - two "odd" days before the last one for many generations to come. That check was made out to the Oregon Paper Money Exchange. Then I remembered that they had sent me a refund check which I had not yet cashed. Could they have written that check on 11-19-99? Indeed, they had! So, to whomever bought the 1902 certificate of deposit from the State Bank and Trust Co., Successor to Bullion & Exchange Bank of Carson City, Nevada, I say, "Thank you very much." Without that purchase, I would not have this "odd" \$3 check. Then again, maybe I would have cashed it before I received my brother's letter, if it had been made out for the correct amount: \$4.00.

For those check collectors who were caught totally unprepared, as I was, for this type of numbers game on checks, the next even-digit day will be 2-2-2000, the first one since August 28, 888.

The Sixth Annual Chicago Paper Money Exposition will be held February 18-20, 2000 at the Ramada O'Hare Hotel, 6600 North Mannheim Road, Rosemont, Illinois. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday. Many dealers should have items of interest to ASCC members.



Machines on Checks, etc.

by Neil Sowards

The last half of the 1800's was a time of many inventions. Virtually every problem and labor men and women had to do had someone thinking and inventing ways to do it easier, faster, cheaper or better. When they perfected their invention, they then marketed their product.

One way was to picture it on their checks, drafts, time drafts, promissory notes, etc. so the public could get some idea of what it looked like and hopefully be enticed to buy it.

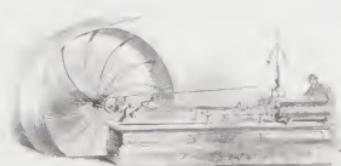
In the days before the gasoline engine was perfected, and steam was just beginning to be applied to the chores of the farm, a number of inventors made machines that converted horsepower to circular motion. The pictured check shows two horses on a treadmill that turns a wheel that drives a belt that operates a wheat threshing machine. The machine is being operated by three men and is producing products into two buckets - one appears to be wheat, is the other chaff?



The check was issued by A.W. Gray's Sons of Middletown Springs, Vermont. Originally the check was drawn on the Banker National Bank of Rutland. It was overprinted to draw on The First National Bank of Poultney. Poultney is a small town on the western border of Vermont sandwiched between South Poultney and East Poultney. A recent Rand McNally lists it as having 1731 souls. There is no listing for Middletown Springs, the hometown of A.W. Gray's Sons. It may exist but be too small for Rand McNally to include.

Apparently A.W. Gray was either dead or no longer part of the business which was being continued by his sons. The check is dated Sept. 9, 1881 and has a two-cent blue revenue stamp canceled by a rubber stamp with "A.W. Gray's Sons, Sept 9, 1881" and a very faint "Middletown Springs, Vt."

The check's paper is light green, basic printing black, over print and number in red and the invention background vignette is in metallic bronze. This check is machine numbered 5345, so many must have been printed, which explains why it was worth the expense to overprint them when the firm changed banks.



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| 1667 | SURINA, TOM | PO Box 5562 Old Bridge NJ 08857 | 6, 7, 20-22, 26, 30-31 |
| 0763 | SWEENEY, P. R. | Security Bank & Trust Co. 20 North 3rd St Vineland NJ | 1, 4, 8-11, 14, 20-21, 24, 30-32 |
| 1637 | SWORDS, BRIAN V. | 21 Davey Dr West Orange NJ 07052 | 1, 4, 6, 14, 21-23 |
| 1377 | TANSKY, ROBERT E. | 3710 Old Farm Rd Fort Gratiot MI 48059 | 2 (SD), 31 |
| 1558 | TAYLOR, ALLAN H. | 62H Stephenson St Blenheim New Zealand | 1, 2 (IN (OH)), 20, 22-23 |
| 1666 | THE OLD PAPERPHILE. | (D) PO Box 135 Liverton RI 02878 | 1, 4, 8-11, 14, 20-21, 24, 30-32 |
| 1585 | THOMAS, HAROLD | 806 E. Jersey Rd Lehigh Acres FL 33936 | 1, 4, 6, 14, 21-23 |
| 1377 | THORBURN, KEVIN | 10 Harlington Crescent Apt 19 Halifax NS B3M 3N1 Canada | 2 (SD), 31 |
| 0387 | TOLMAN, HENRY II | PO Box 603 Orange CT 06471 | 1, 2 (IN (OH)), 24, 30 |
| 0964 | TRAVIS, CHARLES R. | PO Box 3398 Valleyjo CA 94590-0339 | 1, 22-30 (railroads) |
| 1306 | TURGEON, HECTOR J. | 143 Harrison Av Warwick RI 02888 | 1, 2 (CA), 10, 21-24, 30 |
| 0792 | TURRINI, MICHAEL S. | 205 Alvarado Av Valleyjo CA 94590 | V |
| 1658 | VOLLAN, DONALD K. | 1316 N. 12th Avenue West Bend WI 53090 | 2 (SD, Midwest especially), 20 |
| 0381 | VORHIES, JACK M. | 4211 Waterbrook Way Greenwood IN 46143 | 1, 2 (IN), 3-4, 9, 20-21, 24, 31 |
| 0559 | VORT-RONALD, MICHAEL P. | 3 Graves St Kadina 5554 South Australia Australia | 1 |
| 1235 | VOSS, GREGORY | 13 Roland Av Ballwin MO 63021 | 2 (MO), 12 (all MO paper items except stocks) |

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0002	WEAVLR, JOHN E. 135 Woodland Av. #65 Woodland CA 95695	2 (U.S. pre-1850), 2 (designated checks)
0083	WEEKS, HARMON M. PO Box 623 New Rockford ND 58356	1, 2 (Western, ND, SD), 3-4, 20-21, 23, 26, 31
1300	WELLS FARGO BANK. History Dept. 2nd Floor 420 Montgomery St San Francisco CA 94163	2 (Western), 4, 8-23 (Wells Fargo history)
0073	WEHRNER, RAYMOND 9705 Hickory Hollow Rd, Lot 38 Leesburg FL 34788-9363	1, 2, 4, 8-11, 20-23, 25-26
0993	WEIXLER, BARRY (C.D.) Numisvalu, Inc. PO Box 84 Nanuet NY 10594	1-4, 9, 22, 24-25, 30-32
0286	WEINHEID, STEVEN K. 14092 W. 115th St. Olathe KS 66062	2 (KS, MO, NE, RI), 4, 20, 23
1308	WEINHILL, ROBERT L. 7425 Yucca St. 11 Segundo CA 90245	1-2, 4, 9-10, 14, 20, 26, 30-32
0631	WHYBORN, RAYMOND L. 411 W. Reiman Seymour TX 76380-2439	general checks and fiscal paper
1722	WIGGAND, WALTER 750 Linda Lake Ct. Glastonbury CT 06033-0563	
1381	WIEKE, CLIFF 1208 Miles Way Carson City NV 89701	2, 4 (drafts, c'd'ss, receipts)
0157	WILCOX, HARRY F. Warwick Associates 91 Sprague Av Warwick RI 02889	1, 7, 30
1651	WILFRED, STEVE PO Box 35070 Tucson AZ 85740	2 (West), 4, 21-23, 26, 30-31
0807	WILSON, JOHN W. 9353 SW 92nd Place Rd. Ocala FL 34481-6502	1-4, 8-11, 20-32
1478	WINSLOW, STEPHEN J. [PO Box 10340] Bedford NH 03110-0240	
0754	WILDEMAN, SAM 6770 10th Bay 19976 St. Louis MO 63144	2 (with graphic appeal), 22, 30
0257	WILKINSON, LEE JR. P.O. Box 269 Dublin OH 43017	2 (IN), 4 (IN)

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1620	YOUNG, RONALD J. 1010 S. 5th St. (C.D.) PO Box 1703 Whiteville NC 28472	2 (SE US), 23
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1668	ZEFEROMAS, MELITA M. 156 Clinton Av. Akron OH 44319	1, 2 (Holmes & Wayne Co., OH), 12 (foundries mills), 20, 31
1702	ZELLER, SCOTT H. 1443 Shadow Ln. Bowie MD 20715	2 (DC), 3, 11, 12 (Xmas Club, checks under \$1), 25, 32
0074	ZIMMERMAN, ARTHUR 16-2040000-2 Island IA 50453-2578	1, 2 (IA, Winnebago Co.), 3-4, 31

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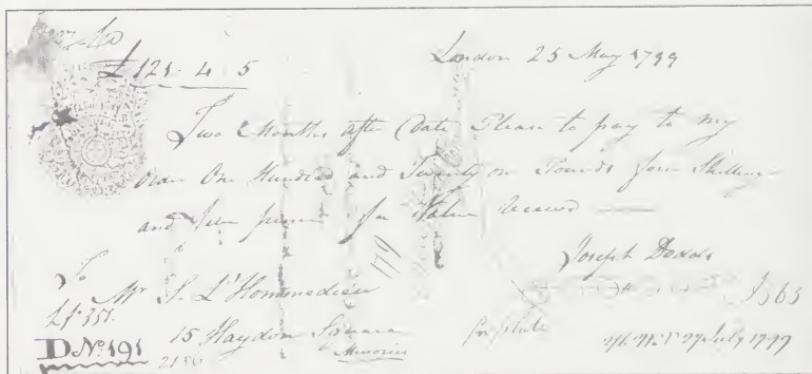
A Check Collector's Day

by Bob Spence

Not only did the weather indicate it would be a delightful day, but a visit to the post office box was rewarded by receipt of the latest catalog issue of "Impressed Duty Stamps of Great Britain". Back home at my desk, I quickly ran through the more than 300 pages with illustrations of every impressed revenue (duty) stamp found on British cheques and related documents.

My eye caught an illustration of a stamp that seemed to be familiar. It was of a large, colorless, ornate, embossed type which was often pictured in my school books in Boston, Massachusetts because of the Stamp Tax imposed on the people and which led to the "Boston Tea Party". The illustration did not show the word "America" which appeared at the top of ones used in America, as the catalog covered only British duty stamps.

I searched the British cheques in my collection and found the stamp on a draft of 1797. It was noted there are two values shown on the stamp: VI PENCE at the top and I SHILLING VI PENCE at the bottom. The stamp was cataloged under the total value of 2 shillings as No. 7 with die B and used from 1797 to 1801.



That evening, I went to the local coin club meeting. As is customary here door prize coupons were given out to each member in order to boost attendance. I was surprised when my coupon number was called for the last prize item. I returned to my chair and looked at the prize which I had won, a 1976 US Mint issued Bicentennial Medal with President George Washington on the obverse and the Liberty Tree and two other items pictured on the reverse. One pictured the thirteen piece rattlesnake which had appeared on Continental paper money and the other was a picture of the Boston Tea Party tax stamp!!

Postage stamp collectors have often seen coins and medals of every type pictured on stamps, but here is a medal with a revenue stamp on it. That made it a three star check collector day: a type of revenue stamp in a new catalog, on a British 1797 draft and on an American Mint commemorative medal.



A New RN Discovery

by Bob Hohertz

Revenue stamped paper Type E is listed in the Scott Specialized Catalog in four major forms: RN E3 - imprint in brown, RN E4 - imprint in orange, RN E5 - imprint in orange with "Good only for sight draft" in two lines at the base, and RN E7 - "Good only for" and "bank check" as part of the design itself respectively above and below the portrait of Benjamin Franklin. There are two minor listings for a double impression and for either a right or left broken corner on the rectangular imprint.

A fifth major form has been discovered. This consists of an imprint in orange, with "Good only for bank check" in two lines at the base.

The discovery check is an unused one from the Bascome's Insurance Agency in Saint Louis, Missouri. The check is not in the best of shape, and has at some time in its history been folded long enough for its dark gold ink to transfer and make a ghost image of some of the letters. This is clearly visible in the scan.



The check was originally purchased as one with the relatively common Type E4. When it was received the extra wording was noted but not recognized as being different from the "Good only for sight draft" (RN E5) variety. As I put my 'type set' in order to show it to Lyman Hensley during the Saint Louis Paper Money Show I happened to compare it to my Saint Louis E5, and the difference in wording finally sank in.

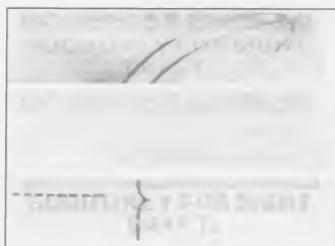


The "Good only for bank check" imprint.



A "Good only for sight draft" imprint.

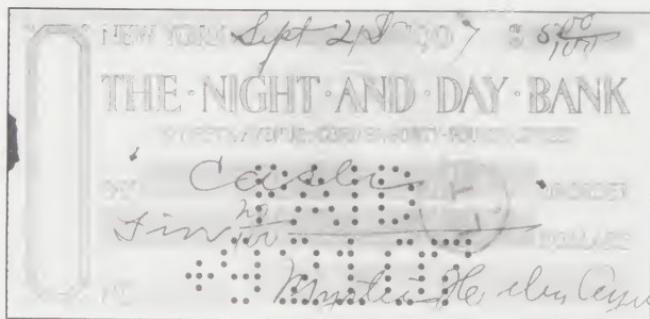
In discussing the matter with Bill Castenholz, he raised the question of whether the wording was in the same color of ink as the imprint itself or the check, and whether there was any reason to believe that it was added independently, as the RN Type H legends were. It is clear to me that the ink is the same color as the orange imprint rather than the coppery-gold color of the check itself. I also came to the conclusion that the type font was the same for the wording "good only for bank check" and "good only for sight draft" on checks in my collection. Based on comparisons of the two legends and their placement below the imprint, I would say that the wording was printed at the same time as the imprint.



Here is a comparison of fonts. The top is from a used example of E5, and the bottom one, which is a bit overinked, is from an unused one. The middle is, of course, from the new find.

One of the most exciting aspects of collecting revenue stamped paper is that there are still major discoveries being made. Bill's guess is that anyone who has a collection of such paper will now be taking a very close look at all the supposed RN E5's in their collection. Is that what they really are?

A Conversation Piece Courtesy of Jerry Boone

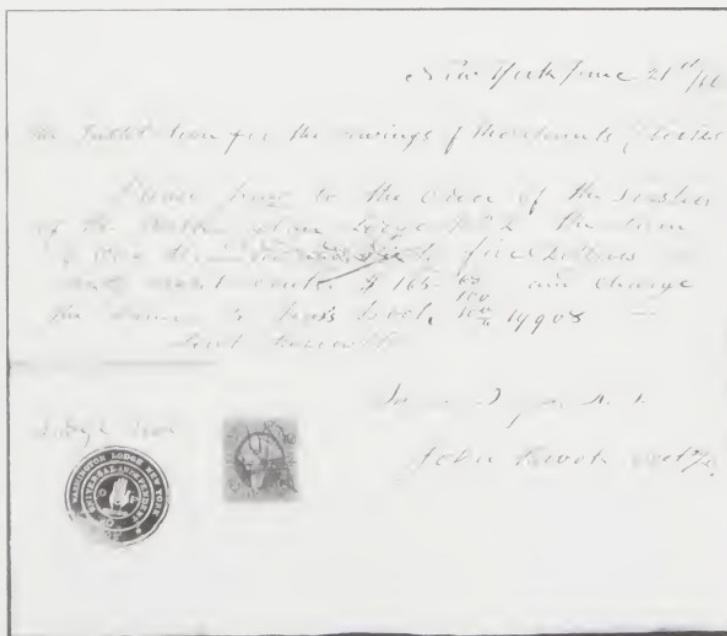


"The Night and Day Bank" of New York City, 1907. I wonder what their hours were?

Two Stamped Lodge Checks

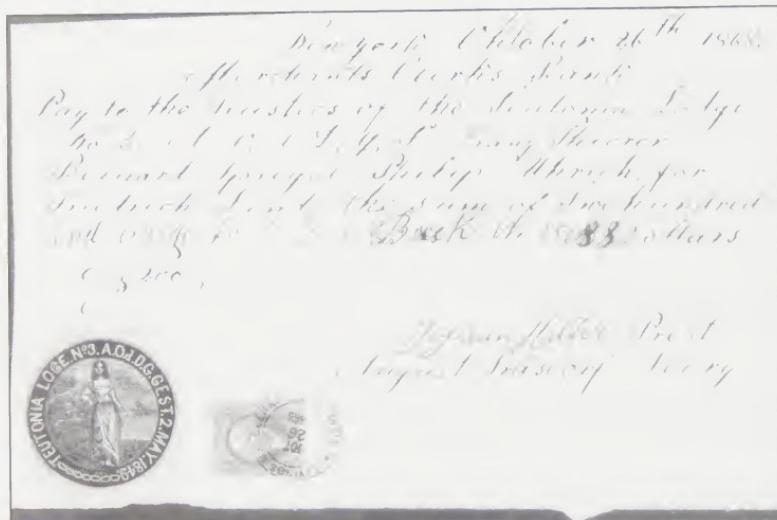
by Michael Mahler

The first check shown here directs the Institution for the Savings of Merchants Clerks to pay \$165.68 to order of the Trustees of Washington Lodge No. 2, from Pass Book 19908, which was enclosed. Beneath is a negative handstamped seal of WASHINGTON LODGE NEW YORK NO. 2 UNIVERSAL INDEPENDENT O.O.F. The bank check tax was paid by a 2¢ U.S.I.R., with manuscript cancel that at first glance is puzzling, and made me wonder if the stamp was original to the check. The check is dated June 21, 1866, and the cancel July 3, 1866? Its writing is difficult to decipher, with a left-leaning slant, and is clearly from a different hand than the check itself. Finally, though, the initials "W L No 2" emerge, which is reassuring, along with some others still mysterious to me, with an "X" and two horizontal lines across the whole. Moreover the "Paid" notation across the middle of the check has the same distinctive slant, and on reverse is written "19908 July 3, 1866" in the same hand. This clears up the mini-mystery of the cancel; the stamp was evidently affixed and canceled by the bank when the check was paid.



The second check directs the "Merchants Clerks Bank" to pay \$200 to the Trustees of Teutonia Lodge No. 3, A.O.d.D.G.F., "and Carge to Bass Boock No. 25683," which is easier to interpret having analyzed the first check. Affixed is a paper seal with quaint woodblock illustration, of "TEUTONIA LODGE No. 3 A.O.d.G.G. EST. 2 MAY 1849." A 2¢ U.S.I.R. is tied by blue datestamp "INSN. for SAVINGS Mer. CLERKS. N.Y."

What sort of organizations were these? Having been asked to join about thirty years ago, I know I.O.O.F. designates, perhaps among other things, "Independent Order of Foresters." Is this their symbol? The "A.O." of the paper seal must designate "Ancient Order," but what about the rest? Help!



Letter to the Editor

Dear Bob,

Always good to visit with you, and I hope the adventure in the Old Country was rewarding. I am going to look around until I find a check with RN D-50 - Burgundy! [Editor's note: Roger and I had talked about the bicycle trip my wife and I were to take in Burgundy last September.] If I can find locate such a prize perhaps there will be an extra I can share with you.

Truly, the color section of Scott's RN listing needs revision. If my good eye were very good I would undertake this myself. More on this sometime later.

Can you kindly run this item in the next *Check Collector*? Regularly we lose our valuable people and our magazines enter just a line. It is time we honored their contributions. I admit prejudice in this instance.

Douglas MacArthur Patterson died of a heart attack at his home in Blytheville, Arkansas, Sunday, September 5, 1999.

Douglas began collecting checks in 1974, joining his brother Roger and his sister Judy O'Claire in the ASCC adventure. He sought out classic RN's, meeting at shows in Memphis, Saint Louis and Minneapolis with many of our best people. On a recent vacation in upper Michigan Doug landed several beautiful checks - and something he looked for all his life, a twenty-pound northern pike.

Kindest wishes,
Roger Patterson

Announcements

Checkpool

The Checkpool is alive and well again! Phillip Ryman has graciously volunteered to administer it. The enthusiasm he has expressed in taking over the job is a sign that it will be handled in a responsive and professional manner. He has a number of checks that have been donated by various individuals in the past but had not found their way into the former pool, plus a portion of the collection of the late Reverend Malcolm Thompson.

To obtain checks from the pool, please send Phil two dollars to cover postage and envelopes for an assortment of twenty-five checks. His address is on page 3 of this issue of TCC. Donations of checks to the pool are needed as well.

Regional Contacts

Thanks are due to Judith Murphy and, again, to Phillip Ryman for volunteering to become Regional Contacts. Most of the Western states do not have anyone representing them at the moment, so if any of you who live in the area are willing to do that please speak up.

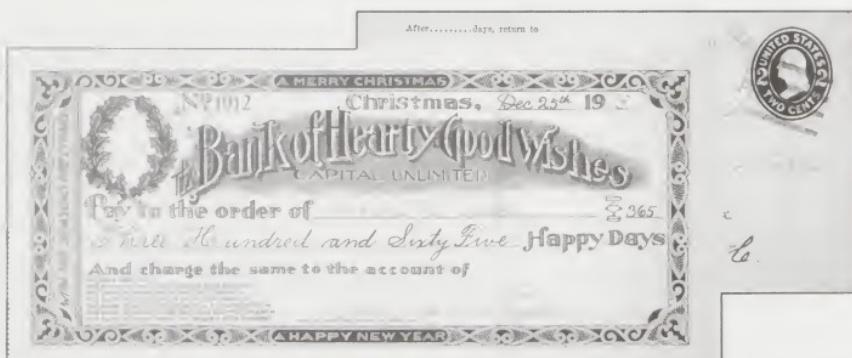
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Letter to the Editor

Dave M. Holertz

I just realized that mine has run out for submission of the enclosed items for inclusion into the next issue of The Check Collector. Time goes by when one is well into retirement. I am always busy doing one thing or another.

The well worn post card was printed in England, mailed from the United States and finally received in Mexico. Yes, "Good Fellowship" should be Unlimted. [Editor's note: the postcard, not shown here, is similar to one illustrated two years ago.]



By way of "The Bank of Hearty Good Wishes," Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Weeks received 365 Happy Days. This was actually mailed, as evidenced by the envelope enclosed.

These two items were found last week while attending a stamp show. I asked a dealer if he had any checks, and these were the goods he was glad to get rid of.

Regards,
Donald C. Pickering

Secretary's Report

Coleman Leifer

This report includes changes received through December 4, 1999

NEW MEMBERS

1671	ALDHAM, ALBERT	1660 Hemlock Farms	Hawley PA 18428	1, 23-24, 31
1672	BLAIR, STEVE	8201 Harvest Hills South Bl	Oklahoma City OK 73132 (thru The American Revenue Association)	2 (especially OK), 31
1670	BOLDUC, BOB	PMB 238	9305F Snowden River Pkwy Columbia MD 21045 (By Mike Zier)	2 (Washington, DC), 3, 4, 23
1673	BRADFORD, JEWELS S.	PO Box 29	Totz KY 40870 (By Bob Spence)	
1668	BROWN, MICHAEL A.	The Typewriter Exchange	PO Box 52607 Philadelphia PA 19115 (By Larry Adams)	1, 24-25
1669	CHADWICK, R. W.	(C/D)	PO Box 98 Davis OK 73030 (By Lyman Hensley)	2 (Indian/Oklahoma Territory), 4, 20, 22, 26, 31-32
1674	MAGEE, HARRY	(C/D)	1599 NE 110 St Miami FL 33161 (By Bob Spence)	7, 30, 31
1667	SURINA, TOM	PO Box 5562	Old Bridge NJ 08857	
1666	THE OLD PAPERPHILE,	(D)	PO Box 135 Tiverton RI 02878 (By H.J.W. Daugherty)	2, 4, 20-22, 26, 30-32

REINSTATED

1597	JONES, ALVAN	PO Box 3423	Fayville MA 01745	2 (mid all MA bank & and territori#) 6, 14, 21-22, 26
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ADDRESS CHANGES

1398	ANTHONY, RAY	(D)	PO Box 11197	Beverly Hills CA 90213	1
1565	BANKS, ROBERT O.	JR.	(C/D)	18322 Hwy 62 West Eureka Springs AR	2 (Western), 4, 22-23, 26
				72631	
1281	PERRIS, RICHARD D.		130 E. Foothill Blvd	Monrovia CA 91016	3-2, 4, 9, 21-22, 26, 30
0002	WEAVER, JOHN E.		135 Woodland Av, #65	Woodland CA 95695	2 (U.S. pre-1850), 2 (dealing with checks)
0883	WILSON, JOHN W.		9353 SW 92nd Place Rd	Ocala FL 33481-6502	1-4, 8-11, 20-32

Dues notices for the year 2000 will be mailed shortly. Your prompt payment will be greatly appreciated, as this holds down the cost of re-billing.



Member Exchange

Travelers checks wanted. Let me know what you have for sale trade. Also wanted, David Keable 1984 book(s) on the subject. **Roland Prajoux**, 5 Residence Les Chaumes, 31520 Ramonville, France. E-mail prajoux@laas.fr.

Wanted: RN-type checks from the Northeastern states. Have RN checks of same area to trade. Will send xerox copies. **Joseph Garsiek**, 8-C Maine Ct., Matawan, NJ 07747.

Wanted: Revenue stamped paper, especially alcohol or tobacco-related. Describe fully and include best price. Copies helpful. **Steve Willock**, PO Box 35070, Tucson, AZ 85740.

Wanted: (1) COupons, scrip, chits. (2) Railroad and transportation tickets. (3) Admission/passes for fairs, hotels, conventions expos, railroads, etc. **Dan Benice**, Box 5708, Cary, NC 27512.

Wanted To buy checks signed by celebrities. **Myron Ross**, PO Box 9088, Calabasas, CA 91372. Phone 818-346-9220.

Wanted: Syracuse-related checks drafts/documents and any sports checks. Please send description and price. **Gary Freundlich**, 114-20 Queens Blvd Apt A-2, Forest Hills, NY 11375-7016.

Wanted: Printed business billheads dated before 1877. Any subject, any state. Better singles or accumulations. Priced photocopies or approvals appreciated. **George Slaton**, 4810 Wrightsville Avenue, Wilmington, NC 28403.

Collector of Missouri checks looking to trade and correspond with other collectors of Missouri financial paper. **Gregg Voss**, 15 Roland Ave., Ballwin, MO 63021. Phone 314-230-9274.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Mr. Hohertz,

After reading the article in the April-June *Check Collector* I decided to dig in my antique box and came up with this check protector very similar to the one of Mr. Michael Miller's. The xerox shows pretty well everything - length (8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "), etc. On both sides it says, "Pat. Jan 7-02 USA..." It is a letter opener as well as a check protector.

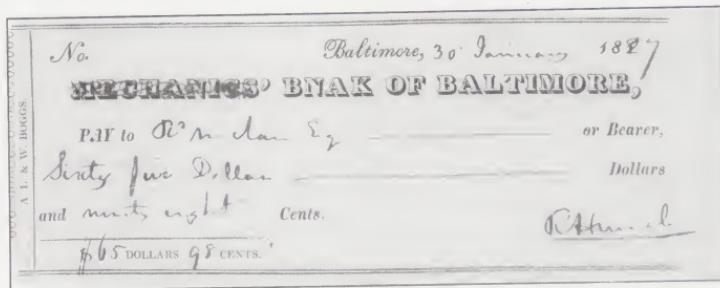
I enjoy the Club. Keep up your good work.

Sincerely,
Geo. W. Aschenbrenner
#128



Letter to the Editor

Your readers may get a kick out of the enclosed 'changed bank' check. As you can see, there's more to it than meets the eye. I don't think I have another check in my collection that has a comma after the name of the bank.



The 1827 (date altered) dateline shows only Baltimore, and was changed of course from Mechanic's to merely BNAK of BALTIMORE.

You would almost think while they were correcting and updating, they would have caught that 'Bnak.'

Sincerely,
Roland P. Burnham

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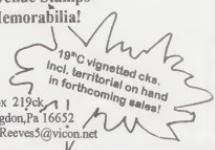
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